GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2434
ANSWERED ON:30.07.2002
SURVEY TO IDENTIFY BPL AS PER SUPREME COURT ORDERS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the State Governments have conducted door to door survey to identifythe people living below poverty line as per the Supreme Court`s direction;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the number of people identified under below poverty line, State-wise;

(c) if not, the reasons for delay; and

(d) the time by which this survey is likely to be completed in the remaining States?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SHANTA KUMAR)

(a) to (d) The Hon`ble Supreme Court through Interim Order dated 3rd September,2001 in W.P. (Civil) No. 196 of 2001 filed by the Peoples Union for Civil Liberties(PUCL) Vs. the Union of India and Others noted that 16 States and Union Territories viz,Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Delhi, Goa,Manipur, Nagaland, Orissa, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttaranchal, West Bengal, Chandigarh, Lakshadweep and Pondicherry have not, as yet, identified the families under the Antyodaya Anna Yojana. The Apex Court directed these States/Union Territories to comply with the Central Government`s directions within two weeks. In a subsequent Interim Order dated 28th November, 2001, the States were directed to complete the identification of BPL and Antyodaya families by 31st December, 2001. All States and Union Territories have since reported identification of BPL and Antyodaya families. As per the instructions of the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution, the States and Union Territories would identify the BPL families through District Administrations. The number of BPL families identified by State Governments/Union Territory Administrations vis-a-vis projected by Planning Commission is as per Statement at Annexure.

Annexure

Statement referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2434 due for Answer on 30-07-2002

Sl. No.	Name of the State/Uts.	No. of BPL Household Projected as on 1.3.2000 (in lakhs)	No. of BPL Household identified by the States/UTs (lakhs)
1	Andhra Pradesh	40.63	113.60
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0.99	1.20
3	Assam	18.36	18.85
4	Bihar	65.23	61.63
5	Chattishgarh	18.75	17.48
6	Goa	0.48	0.08
7	Gujarat	21.20	33.90
8	Haryana	7.89	7.68
9	Himachal Pradesh	5.14	2.98
10	Jammu & Kashmir	7.36	6.23
11	Jharkhand	23.94	22.21
12	Karnataka	31.29	62.80
13	Kerala	15.54	20.58
14	Madhya Pradesh	41.25	44.87
15	Maharashtra	65.34	77.00
16	Manipur	1.66	1.29
17	Meghalaya	1.83	1.72
18	Mizoram	0.68	0.91
19	Nagaland	1.24	1.24

20	Orissa	32.98	48.57
21	Punjab	4.68	4.35
22	Rajasthan	24.31	23.74
23	Sikkim	0.43	0.44
24	Tamil Nadu	48.63	65.51
25	Tripura	2.95	2.50
26	Uttar Pradesh	106.79	105.75
27	Uttaranchal	4.98	4.30
28	West Bengal	51.79	47.87
29	Andaman & Nicobar	0.28	0.17
30	Chandigarh	0.23	0.23
31	D & N Haveli	0.18	0.16
32	Daman & Diu	0.04	0.04
33	Delhi	4.09	4.11
34	Lakshdweep	0.03	0.01
35	Pondicherry	0.84	0.95
	Total	652.03	804.95